

Checklist of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

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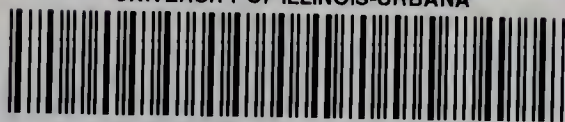
Bureau of Rehabilitation Services for Adults

Administrative Office

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General Information

Who may be eligible?

Any person with a physical and/or mental disability which, for that person, constitutes a substantial handicap to employment* . . . and where there is reason to expect that vocational rehabilitation services will benefit the individual in terms of employability.

*In accordance with provisions of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the severely disabled — as defined by the Act — are to be served first.

Is age a factor?

Most DORS applicants are at, or near, an employable age.

What can you expect?

A systematic but individualized approach including diagnosis and evaluation to establish eligibility and to assure proper planning of services. Expenses already incurred are not reimbursable. When valid, recent medical/diagnostic records exist, DORS will use them. In this way, inconvenience to the potential client and unnecessary costs to DORS can be avoided. Except for services which are diagnostic in nature, the purchase of most services by DORS is based on the individual's economic need.

How are services provided?

DORS staff provides counseling, guidance, some testing, placement and follow-up. All other services are purchased from existing, DORS approved public and private sources or otherwise arranged for by the rehabilitation counselor. Economic need is a factor in the purchase of vocational rehabilitation services. When feasible, the client and his/her family share the cost of vocational rehabilitation services. Where the individual is entitled to services from other public or private agencies, DORS will coordinate these benefits with DORS services.

Where do you go for more information?

Office locations listed on this folder.

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WHAT	WHEN/HOW PROVIDED
Artificial Limbs	Amputee clinic evaluations required. DORS arranges these.
Braces and Orthopedic Devices	Medical specialist examination required. DORS arranges these.
Clinical Evaluations	When needed to determine eligibility or to determine the nature and scope of services needed.
Dental Extractions and Dentures	When these services are provided, the medical evidence must clearly show the person's physical inability to work is a result of the dental condition.
Diagnosis (medical) and Evaluation	Existing records and reports of the client's condition are used. Also DORS authorizes and may pay for necessary additional examinations.
Evaluation (work)	Helps determine the person's work capability and stamina.
Glasses (eye)	Ordinary eyeglasses may be provided when one of several services required for rehabilitation.

WHAT	WHEN/HOW PROVIDED	
	Guidance and Counseling	Experienced DORS staff members assist the client in planning and completing the rehabilitation plan best suited to his/her abilities and limitations.
Hearing Aids		Requires hearing aid clinic evaluation for first time wearers. In general, the hearing loss must be of such extent that normal communication is impaired.
Hospitalization		Provided, when recommended and supervised by a physician, in carrying out a vocational rehabilitation program.
Interpreter Services		Provided for hearing handicapped clients while attending training programs and in situations where this service is required on a temporary basis.
Licenses (occupational)		As required for particular occupations. Initiation fees to a union can be paid by DORS if the client's economic need is established and union membership is a criteria for employment.
Maintenance		Limited to basic needs determined on an individual basis and as a secondary or supportive service. DORS need not be the supplier of the primary service. DORS does not replace other sources of maintenance.
Placement Services		Available to all DORS clients unable to secure employment independently.
Psychiatric Examination		When required to 1) establish emotional or mental disability in terms of eligibility for DORS services and 2) develop a suitable rehabilitation program.
Psychological Testing		Authorized when needed to measure intelligence, aptitudes, vocational interests and personality characteristics. Existing test evaluations are also used if they are current and valid.
Psychotherapy		Authorized on short term basis only, in cases where the condition is stabilized but the client is in need of treatment and employability is expected to result from treatment.
Reader Service		Can be provided diagnostically at any time during the rehabilitation process and in training situations for blind clients.
Stock and Supplies (initial)		When necessary and within specified dollar limits, basic items required for client's participation in a DORS supervised business enterprise.
Surgical and Medical Treatment		When correction or modification of a stable medical condition will substantially reduce or eliminate the handicap. Medical prognosis must be at least fair. Services exclusively for acute or emergency conditions are not provided.
Physical and Occupational Therapy		Inpatient and outpatient care under physician's supervision.
Therapy (speech)		Provided, when necessary, to improve verbal communication skills.
Tools and Equipment		Basic items for participation in a business enterprise and some training programs are provided. Maximums are established.
Training and Education		Tuition and fees are limited to published costs of the facility. Applicable to college, university, adult and continuing education, business and vocational schools. State and federal scholarships and grants available to clients must be utilized to their maximums. Private educational/training facilities are used only when necessary. Basic books, supplies, tools and equipment may be provided.
Training(gait)		When necessary to train or retrain amputees in the use of prostheses.
Training (tutorial)		May be provided during certain types of training programs. Amounts are limited by the DORS fee schedule.
Transportation		Actual costs or the maximum (whichever is lowest) when required to participate in a DORS rehabilitation program or necessary to secure diagnostic services.
Wheelchair		Medical specialist's examination required.
Other goods, services		When needed to prepare a DORS client for gainful activity.

Contact your local Rehabilitation Services office to make application for service.

(see addresses on other side)

DORS DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATIONS

ALTON	510 East Sixth Street	(618) 465-8856
ANNA	R. R. 2, Box 159	(618) 833-5115
AURORA	1700 N. Farnsworth, Ste. 12	(312) 851-7275
BELLEVILLE	601 So. High Street	(618) 235-5300
BENTON	P. O. Box 597, Rte. 37 North	(618) 439-4334
BERWYN	3340 So. Oak Park Ave. Ste. 310	(312) 788-9500
BLOOMINGTON	2207 East Washington Street	(309) 662-1347
CARBONDALE	1400 West Main, Ste. 8	(618) 457-2107
CHAMPAIGN	33 East Springfield Ave.	(217) 333-5707
CHICAGO	160 North LaSalle, Rm. 1020	(312) 793-2934
	1525 East Hyde Park Blvd.	(312) 955-9600
	5015 West Lawrence	(312) 282-7600
	6445 N. Western Avenue	(312) 761-9550
	3055 W. 111th, 4th Floor	(312) 445-9206
	10621 South Halsted	(312) 928-3301
CHICAGO HEIGHTS	450 West 14th Street	(312) 481-3530
DANVILLE	120 East Williams Street	(217) 446-0230
DECATUR	1424 East North Street	(217) 429-0120
DEKALB	1504 Sycamore Road	(815) 758-2471
DOWNERS GROVE	2901 Finley Road, Ste. 109	(312) 495-0500
E. ST. LOUIS	10 Collinsville Ave., Ste. 303	(618) 875-9300
ELGIN	423 Dundee Avenue	(312) 741-9350
FREEPORT	660 West Stephenson Street	(815) 233-5904
GALESBURG	347 East Ferris	(309) 343-2193
GREENVILLE	919 East Harris	(618) 664-2552
HARRISBURG	617 East Church	(618) 253-7681
JACKSONVILLE	1440 West Walnut	(217) 245-9585
JOLIET	10 North Fairlane	(815) 744-2371
KANKAKEE	1780 West Merchant	(815) 939-4422
LASALLE	535 Third Street	(815) 224-1314
MACOMB	MacIan Plaza, 121 Scotland	(309) 833-4573
MATTOON	129 North 15th Street	(217) 235-3154
MT. PROSPECT	1050 Prospect Plaza	(312) 253-6200
MT. VERNON	4 Doctors Park Rd., Drawer H	(618) 244-0331
OLNEY	P. O. Box 86, So. West Street	(618) 395-2147
PEKIN	229 South Court Street	(309) 671-3279
PEORIA	3719 Northeast Madison	(309) 686-6000
	612 N. E. Jefferson	(309) 671-3276
PRINCETON	530 Park Avenue E. Rm 414	(815) 875-2192
QUINCY	2435 Broadway	(217) 224-2600
ROCK FALLS	1008 Seventh Avenue	(815) 625-8885
ROCK ISLAND	910 37th Ave. Watchtower Plz.	(309) 786-6468
ROCKFORD	3809 East State Street	(815) 987-7390
SHELBYVILLE	1117 W. North First Street	(217) 774-2187
SPRINGFIELD	330 South Grand West	(217) 782-4830
WAUKEGAN	2229 Grand Avenue	(312) 244-8474

*TTYdirect contact may be made with all of the offices above